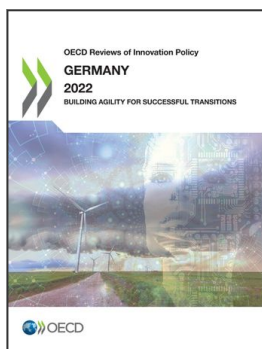


Abbreviations and Acronyms

Acatech	National Academy of Science and Engineering
AI	Artificial intelligence
AiF	German Federation of Industrial Research Associations (<i>Arbeitsgemeinschaft industrieller Forschungsvereinigungen „Otto von Guericke“</i>)
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
BAM	Federal Institute for Materials Research and Testing
BERD	Business expenditure on research and development
BMAS	Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs
BMBF	Federal Ministry of Education and Research
BMDV	Federal Ministry for Digital and Transport
BMEL	Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture
BMFT	Federal Ministry for Research and Technology
BMI	Federal Ministry of the Interior and Community
BMVg	Federal Ministry of Defence
BMWK	Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action
BMWi	Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy
CAGR	Compound annual growth rate
CCA	Climate Change Act
CERN	European Organization for Nuclear Research
CNIPA	China National Intellectual Property Administration
CNRS	French National Centre for Scientific Research (<i>Centre national de la recherche scientifique</i>)
DAkks	German Accreditation Body (<i>Deutsche Akkreditierungsstelle GmbH</i>)
DARPA	U.S. Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency
DFG	German Research Foundation (<i>Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft</i>)
DKE	German Commission for Electrical, Electronic & Information Technologies
DSL	Digital subscriber line technology
DZHW	German Centre for Higher Education Research and Studies (<i>Deutsche Zentrum für Hochschul- und Wissenschaftsforschung</i>)
EFI	Commission of Experts for Research and Innovation (<i>Expertenkommission Forschung und Innovation</i>)
EIB	European Investment Bank
EIF	European Investment Fund
EMBL	European Molecular Biology Laboratory
EPO	European Patent Office
ERP	European Recovery Programme
ESOP	Employee stock ownership option plans
EUR	Euro
EXIST	EXIST - University-Based Business Start-Ups (<i>Existenzgründungen aus der Wissenschaft</i>) support programme
FhG	Fraunhofer Society
FTE	Full-time employment
GBARD	Government budget allocations for research and development
GRBARD	Government real budget allocations for research and development
GDP	Gross domestic product
GDR	German Democratic Republic
GERD	Gross expenditure on research and development
GHG	Greenhouse gas emissions

GNI	Gross national income
GWK	Joint Science Conference (<i>Gemeinsame Wissenschaftskonferenz</i>)
HEI	Higher education institution
HTGF	High-Tech Founders Fund (<i>High-Tech Gründerfonds</i>)
HTS	High-Tech Strategy
ICT	Information and communication technology
IGF	Industrial Collective Research (<i>Industrielle Gemeinschaftsforschung</i>)
IGP	Innovation Program for Business Models and Pioneering Solutions (<i>Innovationsprogramm für Geschäftsmodelle und Pionierlösungen</i>)
INVEST	Invest – Grant for Venture Capital (<i>Zuschuss für Wagniskapital</i>)
IPCEI	Important Project of Common European Interest
IT	Information technology
ITF	International Transport Forum
JPO	Japan Patent Office
KATS	Korean Agency for Technology and Standards
KPO	Korean Patent Office
KSA	Korea Standards Association
Mbps	Megabits per second
ML	Machine learning
PCT	Patent Cooperation Treaty
PIAAC	OECD Programme for the International Assessment of Adult Competencies
PPP	Purchasing power parity
PPP	Public-private partnership
PRO	Public research organisation
RTA	Revealed technological advantage
PTB	National Metrology Institute of Germany (<i>Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt</i>)
R&I	Research and innovation
REEs	Rare earth elements
RRF	Recovery and Resilience Facility of the European Union
SME	Small and medium-sized enterprise
SPRIND	Federal Agency for Disruptive Innovation (<i>Agentur für Sprunginnovationen</i>)
STI	Science, technology and innovation
SWOT	Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats
TNO	Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research
TTO	Technology transfer office
TU	Technical university
USD	United States dollar
USPTO	United States Patent and Trademark Office
VC	Venture capital
VDE	Association for Electrical, Electronics & Information Technologies (<i>Verband der Elektrotechnik, Elektronik und Informationstechnik</i>)
VET	Vocational education and training
VTT	Technical Research Centre of Finland
WGL	Leibniz Association (<i>Wissenschaftsgemeinschaft Gottfried Wilhelm Leibniz</i>)
ZEW	Leibniz Centre for European Economic Research
ZIM	Central Innovation Programme for SMEs (<i>Zentrales Innovationsprogramm Mittelstand</i>)
ZLS	Central Authority of the Federal States for Safety Engineering (<i>Zentralstelle der Länder für Sicherheitstechnik</i>)



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